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SUMMARY: OCTOBER 10 DEMONSTRATION AT YOKOSUKA
SPONSORED BY SOHYO YOUTH GROUPS WAS HIGHLY SPIRITED
AFFAIR INVOLVING 5,500 YOUTHS IN LATE TEENS AND
EARLY TWENTIES. POLICE WERE FULLY MOBILIZED,
MAINLY TO KEEP RIVAL STUDENT GROUPS FROM FIGHTING
EACH OTHER. DESPITE MORE THAN USUAL SNAKE-DANCING
AND SHOVING MATCHES WITH THE POLICE, THERE WERE FEW
IF ANY ARRESTS AND NO REPORTS OF INJURIES WORTH
NOTING. END SUMMARY.

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1. DEMONSTRATION AT YOKOSUKA ON OCTOBER 10 (JAPANESE

HOLIDAY) WAS THE MOST TUMULTUOUS OF CURRENT SERIES OF GENERALLY ORDERLY RALLIES AGAINST MIDWAY HOMEPORTING. FOR FIRST TIME IN TWO WEEKS, DEMONSTRATORS ENJOYED IDEAL FALL WEATHER. THE RALLY, SPONSORED BY SOHYO YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS IN KANTO AREA, DREW CROWD OF 5,500, TWICE THE FIGURE PREDICTED EARLIER BY POLICE. CROWD SEEMED TO CONSIST EXCLUSIVELY OF YOUTHS IN LATE TEENS AND EARLY TWENTIES, AND INCLUDED POTENTIALLY VOLATILE MIX OF RIVAL EXTREMIST STUDENT GROUPS AND PERENNIALY ROWDY UNIONS SUCH AS DORO (LOCOMOTIVE ENGINEERS).

2. POLICE CALLED FOR FULL MOBILIZATION (TOTAL OF ABOUT 10,000 MEN, INCLUDING ABOUT 6,000 RIOT POLICE) TO HANDLE THIS CROWD. MAJORITY OF RIOT POLICE WAS USED TO MAINTAIN COMPLETE CONTROL OVER EXTREMIST STUDENTS. THROUGHOUT AFTERNOON, POLICE KEPT ABOUT 300 KAKUMARU STUDENTS PENNED IN AN ISOLATED PARK IN YOKOSUKA CITY. TWO HUNDRED OTHER KAKUMARU STUDENTS IN SEASIDE PARK RALLY SITE WERE ALSO KEPT UNDER SURVEILLANCE AND PREVENTED FROM HAVING ANY CONTACT WITH THE HANTEI GROUP, RIVAL STUDENT ORGANIZATION WHOSE MEMBERS KILLED TWO KAKUMARU STUDENTS IN YOKOHAMA IN MID-SEPTEMBER.

3. POLICE WAS COMPLETELY SUCCESSFUL IN PREVENTING ANY INCIDENTS INVOLVING STUDENT GROUPS. THEY HAD LESS SUCCESS, HOWEVER, IN MAINTAINING ORDER AMONG SOHYO YOUTH PARADERS. THERE WAS FAR MORE SNAKE-DANCING AND RESULTING SHOVING MATCHES WITH POLICE DURING THIS HOUR LONG PARADE THAN DURING PREVIOUS DEMONSTRATIONS IN YOKOSUKA. DESPITE THESE HIGH SPIRITS, SPEECHES AT SEASIDE PARK RALLY AND SLOGAN-SHOUTING DURING PARADE SEEMED PERFUNCTORY.

4. AS OF NOW, THERE ARE NO OTHER MAJOR DEMONSTRATIONS AGAINST MIDWAY ON THE DOCKET. WE NOTE THAT DEMONSTRATIONS DURING LAST TWO WEEKS HAVE, DESPITE THEIR SIZE, RESULTED IN ONLY HANDFUL OF ARRESTS, FEW IF ANY NOTEWORTHY

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INJURIES, AND NO INCIDENTS INVOLVING AMERICANS. POLICE ARE UNARMED, AND MAKE CERTAIN THAT DEMONSTRATORS CARRY NOTHING EXCEPT FLAG POLES AND PLACARDS.

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